TETON COALITION

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February 26, 2003

Chris Nelson
Secretary of State
Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue Ste 204
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Secretary Nelson:

Teton Coalition, Inc. (formerly Rapid City Housing Coalition) is a non-profit organization established to provide educational and housing opportunities to people of lower incomes in Western South Dakota. In addition, Teton Coalition is committed in both funding and philosophy to provide intensive outreach to Native American families who are interested in homeownership. This includes outreach, credit education, home buyer education and serving as liaisons with local banks and real estate agents. Teton Coalition receives funding from a variety of sources, including federal, state, local banks and agencies. However, it seems there is always a shortage of funds to operate organizations with limited resources such as ours. In keeping with the philosophy of Teton Coalition's goal of self sufficiency, our agency is planning to hold its first major fundraiser.

Per information we received from your staff last fall, we are informing you that Teton Coalition, Inc. is planning to raffle a house (including lot) on September 1, 2003. We will sell raffle tickets for $100.00 per ticket from March 1, 2003 until the September deadline. The house is located in the Rapid Valley area of just outside the Rapid City limits. The house is valued at $105,000 however the building contractor, Jerry Fines, is only requesting $91,000, his cost for construction. The winner of the raffle will be responsible for all taxes and insurance associated with the house and we will print all disclosures on each raffle ticket. We understand that you require this information for your records in the event you are asked to respond to questions concerning the raffle.

If you need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me at (605) 341-9939.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Brave Heart

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Executive Director
Teton Coalition, Inc.

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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: APR 27 1998

RAPID CITY HOUSING COALITION
2040 WEST MAIN STE 209
RAPID CITY, SD 57702

Employer Identification Number:
36-3966538
DLN:
17053080709018
Contact Person:
D. A. DOWNING
Contact Telephone Number:
(513) 241-5199
Our Letter Dated:
July 1997
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,

C. Ashley Bullard

District Director

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March 5, 2003

Secretary of State
500 E. Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501-5077

Dear Secretary:

This letter is to inform you that Teton Coalition, Inc. will not be conducting a house raffle as previously planned. We sent you a letter in February, 2003, stating that we would be holding the raffle on September 1, 2003. However, the Attorney General from the State of South Dakota informed us that we could not hold a raffle which exceeds $30,000. Based on this information we have no choice but to cancel.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (605)341-9939.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Brave Heart
Executive Director

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